

Applic. No. 10/776,361
Amdt. dated September 22, 2006
Reply to Office action of August 8, 2006

Remarks/Arguments:

Reconsideration of the application is requested.

Claims 1-4 remain in the application. Claim 2 has been amended. Claim 5 is being cancelled herewith.

In item 1 on page 2 of the above-identified Office action, claims 2-4 have been rejected as being indefinite under 35 U.S.C. § 112.

More specifically, the Examiner has stated that the relationship between the mutually parallel suction boxes and the rest of the elements set forth in claim 2 is unclear. Claim 2 has been amended as suggested by the Examiner. Therefore, it is believed that the rejection has been overcome.

It is accordingly believed that the claims meet the requirements of 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph. Should the Examiner find any further objectionable items, counsel would appreciate a telephone call during which the matter may be resolved. The above-noted changes to the claims are provided solely for cosmetic or clarificatory reasons. The changes are

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not provided for overcoming the prior art nor for any reason
related to the statutory requirements for a patent.

In item 2 on page 2 of the Office action, claims 2-5 have been
rejected as being fully anticipated by Greive (U.S. Patent
Publication No. 2002/0109768 A1) under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

In item 3 on page 3 of the above-identified Office action,
claims 2-5 have been rejected as being fully anticipated by
Eitel et al. (U.S. Patent No. 5,133,543) (hereinafter "Eitel")
under 35 U.S.C. § 102.

It is appreciatively noted from item 4 on page 6 of the Office
action, that claim 1 is allowed.

Claim 5 has been cancelled and claims 2-4 have been amended to
depend from claim 1. Therefore claims 2-4 are allowable as
well.

Since only allowable claims remain, the early issuance of a
Notice of Allowance is solicited herewith.

In the event the Examiner should still find any of the claims
to be unpatentable, counsel respectfully requests a telephone

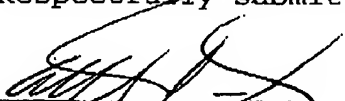
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call so that, if possible, patentable language can be worked out.

If an extension of time for this paper is required, petition for extension is herewith made.

Please charge any other fees which might be due with respect to Sections 1.16 and 1.17 to the Deposit Account of Lerner Greenberg Stemer LLP, No. 12-1099.

Respectfully submitted,



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